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1 F5cWburC UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK -----x UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 4 15 Cr. 73 (RMB) v. 5 EVGENY BURYAKOV, 6 Defendant. 7 -----x 8 New York, N.Y. 9 May 12, 2015 12:00 p.m. 10 Before: 11 12 HON. RICHARD M. BERMAN, 13 District Judge 14 APPEARANCES 15 PREET BHARARA 16 United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York 17 ADAM FEE ANNA M. SKOTKO P. IAN McGINLEY 18 Assistant United States Attorneys 19 WHITE & CASE LLP 20 Attorneys for Defendant SCOTT E. HERSHMAN 21 22 ALSO PRESENT: Yana Agoureev, Interpreter (Russian) 23 24 25

1 THE COURT: We have an interpreter present, as we have

- 2 had in the past. It's my understanding that she's here as
- 3 standby because Mr. Buryakov is able to understand English. Is
- 4 that right?
- 5 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. Yes, sir.
- 6 THE COURT: O.K. First off, we need to, at least in
- 7 my mind, clear up a little confusion. In reviewing the docket,
- 8 Mr. Hershman, I find your notice of appearance and also a
- 9 notice of appearance for Kimberly Haviv of your firm, but we
- 10 had Mr. Naftalis in this case, and I don't recall seeing any
- 11 substitution of counsel.
- 12 MR. HERSHMAN: Yes. We have that for you, your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: That would be helpful. I'll take a look
- 14 at that. If you could just for the record tell us,
- 15 Mr. Hershman, who is in and who is out and as of what date.
- 16 MR. HERSHMAN: Sure, your Honor. White & Case is in.
- 17 Latham & Watkins is out.
- THE COURT: As of?
- MR. HERSHMAN: As of April 30, I believe, 29th or
- 20 30th.
- 21 THE COURT: And this has been filed, the document you
- just handed to me?
- 23 MR. HERSHMAN: No. It will be. It was just signed.
- 24 THE COURT: I see. You want it to be so ordered.
- 25 Any objection from the government?

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| 1 | MR. FEE: No objection, your Honor. Latham & Watkins |
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| 2 | has represented to us that they are no longer in the case. |
| 3 | THE COURT: The record can reflect that I'm signing |
| 4 | the substitution of counsel, and we're happy to file it for you |
| 5 | on the docket if that's O.K. with you. |
| 6 | MR. HERSHMAN: Thanks, your Honor. |
| 7 | THE COURT: Now to the business at hand, we have an |
| 8 | exchange of correspondence between the government and White & |
| 9 | Case, Mr. Hershman, and the government has raised the issue of |
| LO | whether or not we need a Curcio hearing. |
| L1 | I'll ask you in a minute, Mr. Fee, to speak for |
| L2 | yourself instead of me summarizing it, but my understanding is |
| L3 | that you believe that such a hearing is necessary, and indeed |
| L4 | you've suggested questions that need to be asked, because it's |
| L5 | your opinion or belief, or whatever it is, that Mr. Buryakov's |
| L6 | legal fees are being paid by a third party and which may |
| L7 | present a conflict of interest, potential or actual, I suppose, |
| L8 | depending what the facts show. Is that a fair statement of |
| L9 | your position? |
| 20 | MR. FEE: It is, your Honor, and just to put a finer |
| 21 | point on it, Mr. Hershman has confirmed both in a conversation |
| 22 | over the phone and in his submission that there is someone |
| 23 | other than the defendant paying the legal fees here, and we |
| 24 | cited the authorities in our submission, your Honor. It is the |

government's view that it is required to at least --

| 1 | THE | COURT: | Make | an | inquiry. |
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- 2 MR. FEE: Correct, your Honor, and then perhaps go
- 3 further.
- 4 THE COURT: Mr. Fee's referred to the letter from
- 5 White & Case. In fact, in that letter, which is dated May 10,
- 6 the government's original letter was May 7, Mr. Hershman says
- 7 that there is no conflict, "no conflict is created simply
- 8 because the third party is paying Mr. Buryakov's legal fees.
- 9 In particular, we can confirm, " meaning, I guess, White & Case,
- 10 "that the third party here is not involved in this case and is
- 11 not related to any codefendant. So that is confirmation that
- 12 there is a third-party payor of legal fees and I think I do
- 13 need to inquire further.
- Mr. Hershman, do you want to be heard?
- 15 MR. HERSHMAN: Your Honor, we're in receipt of your
- 16 Honor's memo endorsement. As I understand it, our position is
- 17 your Honor can take note of who the third party is in camera
- 18 and we're happy to share the engagement letter with you, which
- 19 I've brought, which Mr. Buryakov has signed previously,
- 20 retaining White & Case and it does reference who is paying the
- 21 fees and that third party, in fact, and clearly, as Mr. Fee
- 22 mentioned, we were totally up front with the fact that the
- 23 third party is paying the fees.
- 24 THE COURT: Right. And I think as I responded to you,
- I like to keep as much of the proceeding public as possible,

including who the payor is, so I would ask you at this time who

- 2 that is and then because it may implicate the attorney-client
- 3 relationship or privilege, I would look at the retainer
- 4 agreement, but that I would do in camera, if that's O.K. with
- 5 you.
- 6 MR. HERSHMAN: O.K., sure, your Honor. So the party
- 7 responsible for the fees is VEB, the bank, Vnesheconombank,
- 8 otherwise known as VEB. I think it's easier to refer to it as
- 9 VEB.
- 10 THE COURT: When you say the bank, is that
- 11 Mr. Buryakov's employer?
- MR. HERSHMAN: Yes, your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Is that a private or publicly owned
- 14 entity?
- 15 MR. HERSHMAN: It is a bank that is owned by the
- 16 state, by Russia.
- 17 THE COURT: In a another case that I have had where a
- 18 third party, particularly in that case a government, was paying
- 19 for the legal representation, I did and I imagine I will here,
- 20 too, go forward with a Curcio hearing. But I would like a
- 21 chance first to review that. Is it a lengthy document?
- MR. HERSHMAN: No, your Honor. It's two pages.
- 23 THE COURT: Hand a copy of that up and I'll take a
- 24 couple of minutes to take a look and see what that suggests.
- Just give me a couple of minutes. I'll be back out.

| 1 | (Pause) | |
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| 2 | THE COURT: | A couple of |

- things, which I think I'll
- 3 hear from Mr. Hershman about. First of all, just as a general
- matter, reading this letter, it doesn't strike me that there's 4
- 5 anything here that's of a privileged nature, and I don't really
- 6 understand why we couldn't put this on the docket, but I'm
- 7 happy to hear from you, Mr. Hershman, on that matter. That's
- 8 No. 1. And No. 2 is that this letter agreement references a
- 9 separate agreement between White & Case and the bank, and I
- 10 would need to see that, too, in order to understand fully, I
- think, and perform the inquiry that I'm obliged to perform, 11
- 12 largely on Mr. Buryakov's behalf. Any problem with either of
- 13 those two issues?
- MR. HERSHMAN: Your Honor, I have no problem obtaining 14
- the letter that VEB signed with the firm. It needs to be 15
- translated, I think, for the Court because it's entirely in 16
- 17 Russian.
- THE COURT: No doubt about that. 18
- MR. HERSHMAN: We're happy to do that and provide that 19
- to you right away. 20
- 21 THE COURT: O.K.
- 22 MR. HERSHMAN: With respect to putting the retainer
- 23 agreement in the file, it is fairly straightforward and I agree
- 24 with you that it's totally straightforward and done that way,
- 25 obviously, so that it's clear and concise, and if your Honor's

view is it doesn't contain any privileged information, it

- 2 certainly doesn't speak to any of the facts related to the
- 3 case.
- 4 THE COURT: Right. It's really your call, or
- 5 Mr. Buryakov's.
- 6 MR. HERSHMAN: I'd like to talk with him about it.
- 7 Originally, we were of the view that who is paying the fees is
- 8 not something we would want made public, but since it's now
- 9 public, that's really the only provision in the letter.
- 10 THE COURT: That's pretty common, in my experience,
- 11 that we do publicize that. I don't think I'm going to go
- 12 forward, but there is one question and maybe you want to answer
- 13 it on our next conference as opposed to today. There are some
- 14 issues that are raised in the letter and I don't mind quoting
- 15 it since we all now agree that this is going to be public
- 16 anyway. Maybe you could tell me what this means. It's been a
- while since I've been at a large firm and did a retainer
- 18 agreement. There's one issue here. You provide that "as a
- 19 condition of the firm undertaking this matter" -- that is to
- 20 say, White & Case -- "it should be understood that the firm may
- 21 continue to represent or undertake to represent existing or new
- 22 clients even if those clients' interests are directly adverse
- 23 to yours in matters substantially unrelated to this engagement,
- 24 regardless of their magnitude and importance."
- 25 Certainly, of course, I understand what you're driving

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- at, but this is sort of a modern concept, I guess, to how one
- deals with conflicts. I don't really get what that means here.
- 3 It's pretty broad and sweeping. It says that your firm can
- 4 take clients in matters that are directly adverse to those of
- 5 Mr. Buryakov, regardless of their magnitude and importance.
- 6 That's a pretty sweeping statement. What does that mean in
- 7 this context?
- 8 MR. HERSHMAN: Provided substantially unrelated to
- 9 this engagement.
- 10 THE COURT: O.K., sure. But one could posit, for
- 11 example, I'm not saying it's happening here, that a firm gets a
- 12 huge retainer arrangement with a client whose interests are
- 13 adverse to Mr. Buryakov and the question one might pose then
- is, does that directly or indirectly impact on one's
- 15 representation of Mr. Buryakov, even though they're unrelated
- 16 matters. The amount of money could be so great, some huge
- 17 deal, for example, that it's possible that it could influence
- an attorney who is a partner in that firm, subtly or unsubtly.
- 19 Is that what it means?
- MR. HERSHMAN: Essentially, it's standard language,
- 21 your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: I think it's become fairly standard, but
- 23 still, when you read it, it's pretty sweeping, is what I'm
- 24 trying to say. I will make sure Mr. Buryakov understands it at
- the appropriate time, which I don't think is going to be today,

1 because I do want to see that second agreement, but just tell

- 2 us what that means and how that's explained to the client who
- 3 may have a lawyer whose firm represents someone whose interests
- 4 are directly adverse to his.
- 5 MR. HERSHMAN: In the first instance, I don't think,
- it's not intended to suggest that something else would
- 7 influence our defense of Mr. Buryakov and our allegiance to him
- 8 and his defense. That's No. 1 and most important.
- 9 THE COURT: No. 2, is there any such representation
- 10 now?
- MR. HERSHMAN: Not to my knowledge.
- 12 THE COURT: All right.
- 13 MR. HERSHMAN: And as I mentioned, your Honor, this is
- 14 a big law firm with offices around the world.
- 15 THE COURT: I'm very familiar with the firm.
- MR. HERSHMAN: As a standard paragraph in firms of
- 17 this size, in engagement letters, and I think you'd find it in
- 18 most large firms, there is a clear representation to the client
- 19 that there may be matters where the firm or someone in the firm
- 20 is representing an entity or person who may be directly adverse
- 21 to you but not in connection with this engagement, and we put
- the client on notice and discuss with them whether that's O.K.
- 23 so that there's no future issue for either Mr. Buryakov, in
- 24 this case, or the other client, and in order to assure the
- 25 Court that there's continued representation without a conflict

1 problem getting in the way. And so I think that's really the

- 2 intent and purpose of the clause.
- THE COURT: Then there's a provision in here that says
- 4 that when the tasks, essentially, I'm summarizing the next
- 5 paragraph, when the tasks for which you're retained are
- 6 essentially completed, then the attorney-client relationship is
- 7 over, unless you get re-retained, if I understand it correctly.
- 8 Is that right?
- 9 MR. HERSHMAN: Yes.
- 10 THE COURT: And do you and Mr. Buryakov understand how
- 11 many tasks you are retained to do? Because that would also be
- 12 problematic if the tasks ended just short of some critical
- 13 process in the case and all of a sudden he would be without
- 14 your services.
- MR. HERSHMAN: Yes.
- 16 THE COURT: What is that designed to do?
- 17 MR. HERSHMAN: Our intention is to represent
- 18 Mr. Buryakov and to see through to its completion this matter.
- 19 THE COURT: In the district court.
- 20 MR. HERSHMAN: In the district court and then by
- 21 agreement, if necessary, any further proceeding.
- 22 THE COURT: All right. For today, I think we've
- 23 accomplished what we need to.
- Mr. Fee, did you want to say anything?
- 25 MR. FEE: Just one point, your Honor. It's clear that

there's more of a record that the Court wants to have developed

- 2 here, if I could suggest one additional point of inquiry that's
- 3 part of what the Court is doing with respect to the retainer
- 4 agreements. It does seem appropriate at some point for
- 5 Mr. Hershman to have to respond to a question about apart from
- 6 written agreements, what, if any, instructions or directions
- 7 has he, as counsel, received from this third-party payor with
- 8 respect to this representation, just to fully develop the
- 9 record, given that, with respect to the allegations in this
- 10 case, Mr. Buryakov is accused of essentially using his
- 11 employment with VEB as a cover. There are certainly, as you
- 12 could imagine, hypotheticals where their interests -- namely,
- 13 VEB and Mr. Buryakov -- would diverge, so we would ask that the
- 14 Court, if it deems it appropriate, put that question to
- 15 Mr. Hershman.
- 16 THE COURT: The prior case that I'm talking about
- 17 where this kind of situation came up was U.S. v. Aafia
- 18 Siddiqui, and you will recall in that case the government of
- 19 Pakistan retained lawyers to represent Dr. Siddiqui. So in
- 20 addition to the Curcio questions, in that case, the lawyers
- 21 submitted letters, to further your thought, which assured the
- 22 Court that there was nothing else, so to speak, and that his or
- 23 her -- now there's a her too, by the way. There's Kimberly
- 24 Haviv.
- 25 MR. HERSHMAN: That's an associate in my office and

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speak Russian?

| 1 | that may change too, your Honor. We'll have additional |
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| 2 | associates and kind of a team. |
| 3 | THE COURT: O.K. There is some relevance because |
| 4 | there are some matters that are confidential, etc., and some |
| 5 | that would require clearance, actually, for even the attorneys |
| 6 | to see. Christine could make available to you the letters we |
| 7 | got from a whole series of counsel assuring the client but also |
| 8 | assuring the Court in the first instance that no matter what |
| 9 | the payor said or urged or proposed, your loyalties, White & |
| 10 | Case's loyalties, would be solely to Mr. Buryakov, and that's |
| 11 | really the short-form version. I think you could think of |
| 12 | probably a better way and maybe you could meet and confer with |
| 13 | Mr. Fee and see what he's suggesting as well and see if you're |
| 14 | comfortable with that. But I would like to have that even |
| 15 | before I ask Mr. Buryakov questions to make sure that you as |
| 16 | counsel have his interests, I'm sure you do, but I want to make |
| 17 | sure in writing that you absolutely do have Mr. Buryakov's |
| 18 | interests solely at heart and in hand and that you would not be |
| 19 | influenced by the payor and I think it's fair to say these |
| 20 | other retentions that your firm might undertake would not sway |
| 21 | you in any way not to give your fullest attention and best |
| 22 | representation to Mr. Buryakov. |
| 23 | The question would be how long it would take to get an |
| 24 | English language copy of the agreement. By the way, do you |

1 MR. HERSHMAN: No, your Honor. I'm learning.

- 2 THE COURT: But you must have a copy of that
- 3 agreement?
- 4 MR. HERSHMAN: It will take us very little time.
- 5 THE COURT: Let me take a look at that and let me give
- 6 you a date. I could see you Monday, the 18th, at 11, if that
- 7 works. Or if that's not convenient, I'm happy to come up with
- 8 another date. Does that work for both sides?
- 9 MR. FEE: It certainly works for the government, your
- 10 Honor.
- MR. HERSHMAN: We'll make that work, your Honor.
- 12 THE COURT: And in the interim, if you meet and confer
- or after you do, if you could, and if you want to look at
- 14 what's happened in the past, obviously the situations are not
- 15 identical, but the lawyers in that case went out of their way
- to assure me and, in that case, Dr. Siddiqui that they were
- 17 devoted entirely to her best interests in representing her,
- 18 irrespective of who was paying the legal fees.
- 19 MR. HERSHMAN: I would like to look at that, your
- 20 Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: I think we have some sample language. If
- 22 you could get me that other agreement today or tomorrow, that
- 23 would be helpful and, if you could, work on such a letter,
- let's say, by Friday, if that works for you.
- MR. HERSHMAN: Yes.

1 THE COURT: And then we'll resume on Monday, May 18,

- 2 at 11 a.m. Anything else?
- 3 MR. HERSHMAN: I have some other things, Judge.
- 4 THE COURT: Sure.
- 5 MR. HERSHMAN: Sorry.
- 6 THE COURT: No. No problem.
- 7 MR. HERSHMAN: While we're here, if your Honor doesn't
- 8 mind.
- 9 THE COURT: Yes.
- 10 MR. HERSHMAN: Some of these are housekeeping and some
- of these I've been in contact with the government on, and
- 12 they've been very responsive and helpful, so we appreciate it,
- 13 but nonetheless there still remain issues for us, and one of
- 14 them in particular may be important for the Court to maybe step
- in or at least give us some advice. The first and most
- 16 important is Mr. Buryakov, obviously, is participating in his
- 17 defense and has been reviewing material that's been made
- 18 available to him at the MCC. That, however, has posed a
- 19 logistical problem of sorts for a number of reasons. First,
- the amount of material is vast, and more than the usual, I
- 21 would say, in terms of its quantity, and as a result the
- 22 limited time that is given to Mr. Buryakov to review that
- 23 material is insufficient for that purpose, and we've requested,
- 24 through the appropriate channels, to expand or extend the
- 25 amount of time that he has access to computers to review that

1 material, but to no avail. I know that there are some inmates

- 2 at the MCC who are issued iPads with the materials so that they
- 3 can review them essentially all day, but in speaking with the
- 4 government, they prefer that that material not be introduced
- 5 into the MCC. So that restricts by necessity Mr. Buryakov's
- 6 access.
- 7 THE COURT: I see.
- 8 MR. HERSHMAN: We've requested that he be given
- 9 additional time. He hasn't been. It's been impeding his
- 10 ability to review the material. That's No. 1.
- 11 THE COURT: Did you, in that connection, speak with
- 12 Adam Johnson, who is the counsel over there?
- 13 MR. HERSHMAN: I think the government may have done
- 14 that, your Honor, and this even predates the switch from
- 15 Latham, but it's a continuing issue.
- 16 THE COURT: Mr. Fee, you will talk to him again.
- 17 MR. FEE: Yes, your Honor. And to give a slightly
- 18 more fulsome update, we have been in contact with counsel at
- 19 the MCC where Mr. Buryakov is being held. They have forwarded
- 20 the requests, which we conveyed to Mr. Buryakov, to have
- 21 expanded access to the law library. There's also one other
- 22 suggestion that Mr. Johnson recently made to me which might
- 23 address this issue to some extent.
- 24 THE COURT: Mr. Johnson from the MCC?
- MR. FEE: Correct. Adam Johnson.

1 Essentially, large-volume material, hard drives, can

- only be reviewed in the law library. This might be a bit in
- 3 the weeds. There are time limits on how much time an inmate
- 4 spends at the law library.
- 5 THE COURT: Right. I get that.
- 6 MR. FEE: We have been told recently if we give some
- 7 of these materials on compact disks, those go to his floor,
- 8 Mr. Buryakov's floor, and he has unlimited time. We are in the
- 9 process of putting as much as we can onto disks. It's likely
- 10 to be everything but large-scale surveillance videos or large
- 11 audio cuts, so we will do that. My understanding from the MCC
- is that Mr. Buryakov will have unlimited access to that.
- 13 THE COURT: That would meet most of the problem, so to
- 14 speak.
- 15 MR. FEE: There would be some that could not be put on
- 16 disk but hopefully would go a long way.
- 17 THE COURT: That's very helpful.
- 18 Did you have anything else?
- 19 MR. FEE: No, nothing further on that point, your
- 20 Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: That sounds like a good solution.
- MR. HERSHMAN: It sounds like a great solution, to a
- degree, your Honor, yes. And forgive me. I agree, it sort of
- 24 gets into the weeds here, but it's sort of important to
- 25 Mr. Buryakov.

| 1 | THE COURT: No. I've been there before. |
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| 2 | MR. HERSHMAN: Perhaps the largest, the bulk of data, |
| 3 | if you will, is the video surveillance, which is quite |
| 4 | important, for obvious reasons. And that's what won't be |
| 5 | available in the unit. Right? |
| 6 | THE COURT: Right. |
| 7 | MR. HERSHMAN: And that requires additional time in |
| 8 | the library still; if we can continue to work with the |
| 9 | government, I'm happy to do that. They've been responsive to |
| LO | date, it just hasn't happened. I understand we're talking |
| L1 | about different aspects of the government, but still the person |
| L2 | who is being disadvantaged is Mr. Buryakov, and we want to |
| L3 | change that. So at least we still need some additional time in |
| L4 | the library with respect to the video surveillance, and that |
| L5 | brings up point two. Item 13 on the letter from the |
| L6 | government, dated March 16, 2015, to Latham, which contained a |
| L7 | disclosure by the government up to that date in time, was video |
| L8 | surveillance footage taken from August 24, '13, through, I |
| L9 | believe, November 29, 2014. That material has not been |
| 20 | provided to Mr. Buryakov at all. It's been provided, I think, |
| 21 | to Latham and now in turn to us on hard drives. It's a huge |
| 22 | amount of material, as Mr. Fee said, but Mr. Buryakov hasn't |
| 23 | been able to see that at all. So we need that item No. 13. |
| 24 | Then lastly, this is a continuing issue that I've been |
| 25 | working with the government on and I think even as recently as |

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| 1 | yesterday Mr. Fee said maybe this will be remedied today, but |
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| 2 | we provided the government with three hard drives to receive |
| 3 | approximately five terabytes of additional data that has not |
| 4 | yet been produced. I'm hoping that on that data, there will be |
| 5 | files and personal effects, personal photographs and things |
| 6 | relating to Mr. Buryakov's life, his wife, his children, and so |
| 7 | forth, which he would like access to and he would like returned |
| 8 | also or to have a copy returned to his family, so we would like |
| 9 | to work with the government with respect to that, but that |
| 10 | material still is outstanding and I just wanted the Court to be |
| 11 | aware that there's a ridiculously huge amount of material still |
| 12 | to be produced here. We're working diligently to effect a |
| 13 | transition in as orderly and quickly a fashion as possible. |
| 14 | THE COURT: In the scheme of things, it's still |
| 15 | relatively early in the case. |
| 16 | MR. HERSHMAN: I appreciate that. And I appreciate |
| 17 | the cooperation as well, your Honor. It's a little frustrating |
| 18 | when this has been going on for a little while. |
| 19 | On the housekeeping measures, I think that covers the |
| 20 | housekeeping issues. |
| 21 | THE COURT: Before you move to the next category, my |
| 22 | approach is always to have the meet and confer, resolve as much |
| 23 | as possible, and usually meeting and conferring between the |
| 24 | government and defense can get that done, procedurally and |

discoverywise, so I would urge you to continue. If I have to

1 step in, I'm happy to do it.

- 2 MR. FEE: Your Honor, I can address those points
- 3 briefly if the Court requires, just to close the issue. He
- 4 should have copies of the video surveillance. We will make
- 5 sure he has those. They will have to be in the law library, as
- 6 well as a list we provided that identifies the relevant events
- 7 on that video. Mr. Hershman referenced a large amount of data
- 8 that we will make available today for pickup by counsel. That
- 9 will substantially complete discovery. What that data is is
- 10 the stuff taken off of the computers and phones that were
- 11 seized from Mr. Buryakov's home and office at the time of his
- 12 arrest. The Court has dealt with that type of material before.
- THE COURT: Yes.
- MR. FEE: It is a lot.
- THE COURT: O.K.
- MR. HERSHMAN: I'll continue to confer with the
- 17 government with respect to the personal issues, the photographs
- 18 and the like.
- 19 THE COURT: O.K.
- MR. HERSHMAN: Your Honor, just switching gears now
- 21 from the housekeeping measures.
- THE COURT: O.K.
- 23 MR. HERSHMAN: As we get into the case, it's becoming
- 24 apparent that there is a motion to dismiss the indictment that
- is prime and I wanted to advise your Honor of our intention

likely to move to dismiss. We're preparing the motion now and

- 2 are doing so as expeditiously as possible, and if your Honor
- 3 wants to set a date for that motion today, we can suggest a
- 4 date by which we would be ready. It may make sense to wait
- 5 until Monday, the 18th, to do that, as we move further along in
- 6 our review of the evidence provided and what is to come today
- 7 from the government.
- 8 THE COURT: Right.
- 9 MR. HERSHMAN: But I did want to raise that and also,
- 10 along the same lines, the concept of a bill of particulars. I
- don't think that under Rule 7 there's been a bill of
- 12 particulars in this case, but there may be a very solid ground
- 13 for requesting one, and since the time has officially elapsed
- 14 but the rule provides for the Court to allow for a bill of
- 15 particulars at a later date, we would be seeking permission to
- 16 put forth a bill of particulars to the government. And I
- 17 believe that that is all that I had.
- 18 THE COURT: Here's what I think. There's no need to
- 19 set a timetable yet for the motion practice or for discussion.
- 20 By the way, if, as, and when we get to the motion to dismiss
- 21 and there's an application for a bill of particulars, that
- 22 could be in the same document. We do need to get beyond these
- 23 threshold issues first, and I'll just ask you to think about
- 24 this, because I don't know the answer myself. On this issue
- 25 coming back to conflict or potential conflict, I would like

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1 both the government and the defense to think about what it 2 means in the conflict sense that the fee is being paid by 3 Mr. Buryakov's employer; the employer is owned, I take it, 100 percent by Russia, so essentially the fee is being paid by 5 Russia, and what does that mean in the context of the charges 6 in this case. I think we have to be careful in analyzing the 7 potential for conflict those facts and maybe others as well. 8 There's nothing to do about it at this time except that you may 9 want to, Mr. Hershman, address that in your correspondence with

me, which I hope to have by Friday. I think that's it, unless

there's a need to deal with speedy trial or whether there's an

12 application or an issue.

MR. FEE: Yes, your Honor. There is an application.

14 The government asks that the Court exclude time in the interest

of justice under the Speedy Trial Act through our next

16 appearance before the Court on May 18, so that the defense may

17 obtain and review discovery and, of course, present information

18 to the Court relevant to the potential conflict issues.

19 THE COURT: I'm going to find under 18, United States

20 Code, Section 3161 that the request for adjournment joined in

21 by both sides to Monday, in any event, the 18th of May, at 11,

22 is appropriate and warrants exclusion of the adjourned time

23 from speedy trial calculations. I further find that the

24 exclusion is designed to prevent any possible miscarriage of

25 justice, to facilitate these proceedings. One way it would do

F5cWburC 1 that is it would allow me to review this second, separate 2 agreement that's referred to in the April 24, 2015, retainer 3 agreement, and also to hear from counsel. 4 By the way, Mr. Fee, if the defense sends that letter, 5 which I anticipate it will, by Friday, and you wanted to make a 6 response, you would be free to do that. 7 MR. FEE: Thank you, your Honor. THE COURT: It would also guarantee effective 8 9 representation of and preparation by counsel for both parties, 10 and thus the need for exclusion and the ends of justice outweigh the interests of the public and the defendant in a 11 12 speedy trial, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 3161(h)(7)(A) and 13 (B). 14 Those are the issues that I had for today, and unless there's anything further, I'll see you on Monday. 15

MR. HERSHMAN: Thank you, your Honor.

17 MR. FEE: Thank you, your Honor.

18 THE COURT: Thanks a lot. Nice to see you all.

19 Mr. Hershman, if you could make that submission by

20 noon on Friday, that would help us.

MR. HERSHMAN: Sure, your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Thanks a lot.

23 (Adjourned)

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